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WEATHER:

New Haven, Conn., Nov. 21—(I. N. S.)—Weather forecast till eight p. m. Wednesday. For New Haven and vicinity: Fair tonight and Wednesday; slightly colder tonight. For Connecticut: Fair tonight and Wednesday; colder tonight; fresh and strong northwest winds diminishing tonight.

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INVOKE AID OF STATE FOR FAIR COAL PRICE DEMAND GRAND JURY HEARS MRS. HALL

ATTACK SEEK GIBSON STORY COAL CURB

George Sippel, Cattle Breeder, May Shatter Important Parts of Star Witness' Evidence in Hall-Mills Murder Mystery.

Legislature May Be Asked for Needed Authority to Enforce Fair Coal Prices as Result of Price Boost by the Bridgeport Dealers.

Bulletin. Somerville, N. J., Nov. 21.—(I. N. S.)—A demand "in the name of justice" that Mrs. Edward W. Hall, widow of the slain rector of St. John's Episcopal church, who with his choir singer, Mrs. Eleanor K. Mills, were murdered on Sept. 14, be given an opportunity to testify before the Somerset grand jury was made today in the form of a petition signed by life-long friends and relatives of the woman.

Defied by Bridgeport coal dealers, State Fuel Administrator Thomas W. Russell was prepared today to ask Governor Everett J. Lake to call a special session of the legislature for needed authority to enforce fair coal prices in this state.

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Bridgeport is the only city in the state, according to Mr. Russell, where the coal dealers have ignored the fair price set by the local fuel administrator. Major James D. Skinner, Bridgeport's fuel administrator, recently set \$15.50 as a fair price for a ton of anthracite coal.

The petition which contained the signatures of some of the most prominent people in New Brunswick was sent to the office of a New Brunswick newspaper with the request that it be given publicity.

Despite this fact, however, city coal dealers are demanding \$16.50 a ton for coal. They assert they have to pay more for furnace coal because of the increased prices now being asked at the mines and they point out that neither the local or state fuel administrator have any power in law to enforce the so-called fair price.

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Many families in this city are still without coal. It was learned today, and it is feared that the advance in price, taken in conjunction with the serious coal shortage already existing, will work serious hardship upon those in poor circumstances. Without proper fuel facilities there is a tendency to contract pneumonia, several physicians asserted today, and in many cases while houses may not be absolutely cold, there is a dampness and chill which is dangerous to health.

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According to Angus Thorne, superintendent of charities, there has been no material increase so far in the number of applications for aid or for coal by the poor of the city, but this fact is not deemed satisfactory to the comparatively mild weather which has prevailed of late.

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Washington, Nov. 21.—President Harding today received a formal demand from Gov. John M. Parker and members of the Louisiana delegation in Congress, to remove from office Walter L. Cohen, a negro, appointed as surveyor of customs at New Orleans. Cohen was given a recess appointment to succeed a Democratic incumbent.

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NEW PRESIDENT OF EDUCATION BOARD



Dr. Alfred C. Fones, last night elected president of the Board of Education, was born in Bridgeport, December 17, 1869, and has been a resident of the city ever since. Dr. Fones' father, Dr. Civilian Fones, was for two terms mayor of the City of Bridgeport and served a term on the Board of Aldermen. Dr. Fones is given the dental profession of the city.

Armless and Legless Babe Not To Be Scientifically Killed, Rules Girl Mother

Chicago, Nov. 21.—(I. N. S.)—Baby Lebrasca, born without arms or legs will not be scientifically killed. Mother love decrees that she shall live.

Daugherty Ouster Case Is Revived

Washington, Nov. 21.—(I. N. S.)—Impeachment charges brought against Attorney General Harry M. Daugherty last session will be revived before the House Judiciary committee Thursday when a meeting will be held to arrange for a preliminary investigation.

Ten Homes Wiped Out By Flames

Camden, N. J., Nov. 21.—Ten homes were destroyed by a loss of \$50,000 by fire which started today in the kitchen of the home of J. F. Hanley, in National Park, on the Delaware.

HARDING URGES QUICK ACTION ON SHIP BILL

President Declares National Welfare Rests Upon Merchant Marine—Cites U. S. Weakness on Seas During World War—Asks House Committee to Act with Speed in Reporting Bill.

Washington, Nov. 21.—President Harding went before Congress today with a final appeal for the immediate passage of the administration's Ship Subsidy Bill—legislation designed to assure the continued and successful operation of the American Merchant Marine.

RAILWAY MERGER PARLEY

Gov. Lake's Committee Confers on Proposed All-New-England Plan at Capital with Conn. Commission—Stanley Bullard at Hearing.

Hartford, Nov. 21.—The State committee appointed by Governor Lake to confer with similar commissions from other New England States in consideration of the plan for consolidation of New England railroad systems under the All-New-England-Plan, held a hearing at the Capitol today.

Robert Bruno Chosen President of Evening School League

Robert Bruno was elected president of the Evening High School league at an assembly held last night in the school auditorium. The other officers chosen were Miss Elizabeth Lee, vice-president; Miss Ruth Berman, secretary; and Walter Forstrom, treasurer.

Crew Mutinies; Two Are Injured

San Francisco, Nov. 21.—Two men were injured last night when the deck crew of the steam schooner, Jacinto, bound from this port to Gray's Harbor, Washington, mutinied soon after the vessel cleared the Golden Gate.

Friday, Lucky Day for W. H. Vanderbilt

Portsmouth, R. I., Nov. 21.—William H. Vanderbilt on his 21st birthday next Friday will come into possession of the fortune left him by his father, Alfred G. Vanderbilt, who went down with the Lusitania.

Kissed 23 Years Behind Time—Sheep Killing Dogs—More Pay for Ministers—Fairfield Is Part of America—"Wets" Must Count Their Friends—Cruelty of Naked Dancing.

Grace and Philip Fricke are man and wife respectively. They live in the same house; she gets the meals and does the housework and he takes care of the outside work and pays the bills. They have lived this way for 23 years, most of them happy years. After all this comfortable existence Philip, without saying a word about it, up and kissed his wife. She got into the flivver and drove right down to Hartford and put in a petition for a divorce alleging intolerable cruelty. This is a queer world. Most ladies would bring the action upon the ground that for 23 years they had not been kissed.

In Glastonbury four sheep were killed by a dog, believed to be afflicted with rabies. The rabies doesn't follow. Dogs kill sheep on general principles. Connecticut pays a large price for its dogs. The hills of Connecticut are well adapted to sheep raising. Dogs kill too many sheep. The state is short just so much mutton. Some day dogs will either disappear, go on leashes or become animals who will watch sheep, instead of killing them.

Rev. Dr. G. Ogilvy, President of Trinity College, says that out of 226 students in his school only one in every 16 wants to fill the pulpit. He blames parents for lack of ministers; better blame the congregations, which pay small salaries. Ministers must live like other men. The pay of the minister is not always attractive. Raise the pay adequately and men will respond to the call.

Attorney Clarence R. Hall, who lives in Fairfield, is chosen Secretary of the Charter Revision Committee, which is to give Bridgeport an instrument which will enable the government to be carried on in a modern way. Objection is made that Attorney Hall doesn't live in Bridgeport. One wonders whether the trade of men and women who live in the suburban towns is acceptable to Bridgeport. May not the Chinese Wall effect get too much emphasis. This is one country of which Fairfield is a part. Expert service by a Fairfield man who earns his living in Bridgeport, ought to equal just ordinary service by somebody who may live just on the edge of some city boundary.

The National Association opposed to the Prohibition amendment seems to be against a third political party organization to bring back light wines and beer. That would be the quickest way to find out how many friends can be counted for light wines and beer. Just now the "wets" are fretting out their lives in a network of political intrigue which gets them nowhere and gives them nothing.

A Greenwich Village Company of 50 dancing girls, who dance in bare legs and short skirts, went up to Sing Sing to perform before the prisoners. Warden Lawes said they could not. It is up to somebody to explain why men have to commit a crime and get themselves locked up in order to be free from such a cruel punishment. Bridgeport people pay perfectly good money to go to the show. Instead of getting art and music, too often they are treated to a spectacle of red knees, scraggy bodies and shapes that would be much more satisfying in nice, long, thick, woolen blankets.

This column expresses no opposition to art in the nude. The human form is sometimes beautiful. The human form, as it is too frequently presented on the American stage, is not beautiful and ought not to be presented. Only beauty can justify nudity in art. The blessed clothes conceal some awful sights.

LONG PRISON TERMS IMPOSED IN CALIFORNIA FOR AUTOMOBILE BANDITS. San Francisco, Nov. 21.—The American Institute of criminology here, adopted a resolution recommending a law providing for the commitment of automobile bandits to 40 years with the provision that the minimum be not reduced.

MISH GUNMEN ROUNDUP. Full. Nov. 21.—A roundup of armed Orange gunmen was begun when the authorities to preserve peace. It was feared that 2 of 8 were getting ready to make a number of arrests were